

2016 Robert Frost Science Fair Display Board Information

Here are some suggestions to help with your science fair presentation.

For your science fair project, a **display board** may be used to communicate your work to others. In most cases you can use a standard, three-panel display board that unfolds to be ~36" tall by 48" wide.

- **Be sure to print large enough for it to be easy to read from a few feet away. If printing from a computer, use a font size of at least 18 points** for the text on your display board. It is okay to use slightly smaller fonts for captions on picture and tables.
- **The title should be big and easily read from across the room.** Choose one that accurately describes your project, but also grabs people's attention.
- Put student(s) name(s) on the display board.
- **A picture speaks a thousand words!** You may use photos or draw diagrams to present non-numerical data, or just to show your experimental set-up.
- The standard presentation boards are self-standing and work quite well. Display boards in black or white-colored "foam core" (a sandwich made up of two pieces of cardboard with plastic foam in the middle) or corrugated cardboard are readily available at many stores (Staples, Walmart, Hobby Lobby) for \$5 to \$12. Of course, you can also make your own for free from a large cardboard box.
- Print out or write your information on white paper that you will attach to your display board. Be sure to proofread each sheet before you attach it.□
 - Glue sticks work well for attaching sheets of paper to your display board.
 - Use double-sided tape for items like photographs that may not stick to glue.
 - Use color construction paper to add accents to your display board. One technique is to put sheets of construction paper behind the white paper containing your text.

Display board will be different for different projects. They could include:

- Title and Name(s)
- Topic, Question or Hypothesis
- Background information
- Materials list
- Experimental procedure (Describe how you did the project)
- Results (May include chart(s), graph(s) and photo(s))
- Conclusions (State what you learned)

